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The rule further provides for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2207), the Agricultural Disaster Assistance and Western States Emergency Unfinished Business Appropriations Act, 2007. The rule provides one hour of general debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. It provides that the amendment printed in Part B of this report shall be considered as adopted and that the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The Rule waives all points of order against the bill, as amended, and contains one motion to recommit on H.R. 2207 with or without instructions.

The rule also provides that in the engrossment of H.R. 2206, the Clerk shall await the disposition of H.R. 2237 and H.R. 2207 and shall add the respective texts of H.R. 2237 and H.R. 2207, as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 2206 and shall make appropriate conforming changes. Finally the rule provides that during consideration of H.R. 2237, H.R. 2206 and H.R. 2207, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of any such bill to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Chairman Obey and Representative Kucinich.

RURAL BROADBAND SERVICES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Rural and Urban Entrepreneurship held a hearing entitled "Maximizing the Value of Broadband Services to Rural Communities." Testimony was heard from Jonathan Adelstein, Commissioner, FCC; and public witnesses.

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL MODERNIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the Future of Air Traffic Control Modernization. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Robert Sturgell, Deputy Administrator and Interim Chief Operating Officer, Air Traffic Organization, FAA; and Calvin L. Scovel III, Inspector General; Gerald Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

GLOBAL WAR ON TERROR VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the Results of the Administration's Task Force on Returning Global War on Terror Heroes. Testimony was heard from R. James Nicholson, Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

VA'S LONG-TERM CARE PROGRAMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing to examine VA's Long-Term Care Programs. Testimony was heard from Patricia Vandenberg, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary, Health Policy and Planning, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

CURRENCY MANIPULATION IMPACTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade and the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade and Technology of the Committee on Financial Services held a joint hearing on Currency Manipulation and Its Effect on U.S. Businesses and Workers. Testimony was heard from Mark Sobel, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Monetary and Financial Policy, Department of the Treasury; Stephen Claeys, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, Department of Commerce; Daniel Brinza, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative, Monitoring and Enforcement; Donald L. Evans, former Secretary of Commerce; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—HOT SPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Hot Spots. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

FOREIGN OIL—ECONOMICS OF DEPENDENCE

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled "Economics of Dependence on Foreign Oil—Rising Gasoline Prices." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 622)

S. 521, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse and customhouse located at 515 West First Street in Duluth, Minnesota, as the "Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse". Signed on May 8, 2007 (Public Law 110–25)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Aviation Administration's budget performance and treatment, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of State and foreign operations, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David George Nason, of Rhode Island, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Mario Mancuso, of New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, Michael W. Tankersley, of Texas, to be Inspector General, Export-Import Bank, Scott A. Keller, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Janis Herschkowitz, of Pennsylvania, David George Nason, of Rhode Island, and Nguyen Van Hanh, of California, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine the effects of climate change and ocean acidification on living marine resources, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joseph Timothy Kelliher, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and R. Lyle Laverty, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine economic issues for America's working families and middle class, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine a status report on reform efforts by the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine violent Islamist extremism, focusing on government efforts to defeat it, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 1200, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend the Act, S. 310, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity, H.R. 835, to reauthorize the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing assistance for Native Ha-

waiians, and S.J. Res. 4, to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the United States Government regarding Indian tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Leslie Southwick, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Janet T. Neff, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, and Liam O'Grady, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research, hearing to review agricultural research programs, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Specialty Crops, Rural Development, and Foreign Agriculture, hearing to review food aid and agriculture trade programs operated by the USDA and the U.S. Agency for International Development, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Marketing and Regulatory Programs, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Contracting Out, 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, hearing on Accountability for the Department of Education's Oversight of Student Loans and the Reading First Program, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities, hearing on Using School Wellness Plans to Help Fight Childhood Obesity, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to consider the following bills: H.R. 964, Securely Protect Yourself Against Cyber Trespass Act; and H.R. 948, Social Security Number Protection Act of 2007, 2:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, to continue hearings entitled "Digital Future of the United States: Part V: The Future of Video," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Suspicious Activity and Currency Transaction Reports: Balancing Law Enforcement Utility and Regulatory Requirements," 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on Every State a Superpower? Stopping the Spread of Nuclear Weapons in the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, and the Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on Is There a Human Rights Double Standard? U.S. Policy Toward Equatorial Guinea and Ethiopia, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled "Fixing the Homeland Security Information Network: Finding the Way Forward for Better Information Sharing," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.